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In re Application of:

Group Art Unit: 2181

SENIOR et al.

Examiner: Chung Trans, Xuong My

Application No. 09/364,220

Filed: July 29, 1999

For: USB TRANSPARENT BANDWIDTH

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I hereby certify that this AMENDMENT A (along with any documents referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

Date: March 18, 2003

**AMENDMENT A**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed December 20, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below. In keeping with 37 C.F.R. §1.121, a copy of the amended claims is attached, which has been marked up to illustrate the changes from the previous version. Also attached is a clean copy of the entire claim set as amended.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

**Amend claims 1, 12-18, 20, 27-29, and 37 as follows:**

1. (Amended) A method for rebalancing an existing bandwidth allocation to a plurality of devices connected to a computer system via a bus, the method comprising:  
intercepting a failure of a request by a first device to obtain bandwidth; requesting a rebalancing module to re-balance the existing bandwidth allocation to the plurality of devices connected to

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Transmitted herewith is Amendment A to the office action mailed December 20, 2002 in the subject application.

☐ Applicants claim small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.27.

☒ Petition for Extension of Time

☐ Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136, the fee for which is \$110.00 (enclosed).

☒ Applicants believe that no petition for an extension of time is necessary. However, to the extent that such petition is deemed necessary, Applicants hereby petition for a sufficient extension of time to render the present submission timely. Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 for the appropriate petition fee.

☒ No additional claim fee is required.

☒ Other: A return postcard.

The claim fee has been calculated as shown below:

					SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDIT. CLAIM FEE	RATE	ADDIT. CLAIM FEE
TOTAL	37	MINUS	37	=0	x 9=	\$	x 18=	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	4	MINUS	4	=0	x 42=	\$	x 84=	\$0.00
<input type="checkbox"/>	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE CLAIM				+ 140=	\$	+ 280=	\$0.00
					TOTAL	\$	TOTAL	\$0.00

☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the amount of \$ . A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

☐ A check in the amount of \$ is attached.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached.

☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.

☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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